ous containers. I have come across cases of people getting operated because of swallowing of these small pains inadvertently. Will the Government take precautions to see that all things are averted?

KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE: Sir, I am very thankful to the hon. Member that he has given very useful suggestions to the Government and I welcome them. The Bureau of Indian Standards has prescribed the quality standards of plastic and plastic utensils.

Report of the Population Crisis Committee

*128. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether, according to the Population Crisis Committee, India is among the 80 developing countries with inadequate family planning services;

(b) if so, what is the place that India occupies in the community of nations in this regard; and what are the reasons to which it is attributable; and

(c) what steps Government are taking to effectively curb the annual growth rate of population?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b) Population Crisis Committee survey has rated the availability of various Family Planning Services and supplies in both developed and developing countries. In terms of access to birth control India ranks 16th from the top among the 95 developing countries. Whereas the survey has identified availability of oral contraceptives, IUDs and abortion facilities as inadequate, it gives an excellent scoring to India for contribution of Government Budget and Policies and other methods of constraception.

(c) To curb effectively the annual growth rate of population the strategies adopted include:

(i) provision of a minimum of service delivery infrastructure of Sub-centres, Primary Health Centres and of Community Health Centres; (ii) payment of compensation to acceptors and incentive payment to motivators; (iii) promotion of and supplies for temporary contraceptive methods; (iv) Intensification of the Programmes for mother and child health including universal immunisation; (v) Strengthening information, education and communication componen's; (v) increased involvement of local communities etc.

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Sir, it is a long reply and I want a half-an-hour discussion on this important subject.

MR CHAIRMAN: We will see later on. (*Interruptions*) Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

रेलवे के कार्यकरण का कम्प्यूटरीकरण

*123. **श्री रशीद मसूद** : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार ने रेलवेज के कार्यकरण के कम्प्यूटीकरण के लिये एक महती योजना तैयार की है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस योजना की रूपरेखा क्या है ;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि योजना आयोग ने इस परियोजना के संबंध में, हाल में कुछ सुझाव दिये हैं ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो वे सुझाव क्या हैं और उन पर सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?